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The Foreign Agricultural Service of the U.S. Department of Agriculture today reported the following developments in world agriculture and trade.

EXPORT SALES

U.S EXPORT SALES Show Further Gains in Volume Over Last Year. Sales of wheat, rice and cotton continue to exceed last season's level. The following table compares accumulated exports and outstanding sales for similar periods in the 1985/86 and the 1986/87 marketing years as reported under FAS's Export Sales Reporting Program. Data for 1985/86 are as of Feb. 6, 1986, while data for 1986/87 are as of Feb. 5, 1987. Accumulated exports are commodities which have been sold and exported. Outstanding sales are commodities which have been sold but not yet exported.

The 1985/86 data for corn and grain sorghum have been adjusted to include shipments reported during the month of September, so a meaningful comparison can be made. Data are measured in thousand units (metric tons/bales).

COMMODITY	YEAR	ACCUMULATE	D EXPORTS	OUTSTAND	OUTSTANDING SALES	
	BEGINNING	85/86	86/87	85/86	86/87	
Wheat	June 1	16,400	17,897	3,976	3,630	
Corn	Sept. 1	20,004	14,139	5,658	5,292	
Grain Sorghum	Sept. 1	2,725	2,199	578	949	
Soybeans	Sept. 1	9,935	10,682	4,772	3,533	
Rice	Aug. 1	919	1,449	184	357	
Cotton	Aug. 1	1,178	3,229	603	2,737	

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Demand for U.S. Corn Could Increase Sharply in JAPAN and SOUTH KOREA. Recent indications of a shortfall in Argentine corn production may have sparked fears among Japanese and Korean traders regarding the future availability of Argentine supplies, and in turn could lead to greater purchases of U.S. corn. The U.S. agricultural counselor in Tokyo predicts that U.S. corn exports to Japan in 1986/87 (Oct/Sept) could increase as much as 15 percent or about 1.4 million tons, for a total of 10.9 million tons. In Korea, traders bought 500,000 tons of U.S. corn over the past week, bringing total commitments to over 2.1 million tons for 1986/87—more than 900,000 tons greater than year-ago figures.

INDIA Imposes Duty on All Pulse Imports. The imposition of a 25-percent duty on all pulse imports by India will probably lead to a reduction in purchases of U.S. pulses during 1986/87 (Sept/Aug). India has recently been the single largest market for U.S. peas, accounting for 16 percent of total U.S. pea exports (19,000 tons) in 1985/86. In addition, Indian imports of U.S. beans increased dramatically in 1985/86 to nearly 3,000 tons. The duty is a setback to ongoing U.S. market development efforts in India which were anticipated to expand purchases of U.S. pulses in 1986/87. Reportedly the duty may have been applied following protests by domestic producers against the massive influx of low priced Chinese red mung beans.

DAIRY, LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY

IRELAND'S Cattle Numbers Decline. Ireland's cattle numbers were down nearly 4 percent, to 5.56 million head, at the start of 1987, according to the U.S. agricultural specialist in Dublin. The drop is due to a sharp rise in slaughter caused largely by feed shortages. Beef production in 1986 was up 10.5 percent to 495,000 tons. In 1987, production is expected to be down to 445,000 tons. The recent cuts in the European Community's (EC) dairy quota are expected to trim Irish cattle inventories by a further 1.6 percent during 1987.

COCOA

WORLD Cocoa Bean Production Forecast at Record Level. World 1986/87 cocoa bean production is forecast at 1.97 million tons, virtually unchanged from the October estimate but slightly above the revised 1985/86 level of 1.96 million. An increase of 15,000 tons in Brazil's expected outturn since the October forecast was offset by a decrease in Ghana's production prospects.

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Total African production for 1986/87 is expected to be down 5 percent from the bumper crop of a year earlier. The largest decrease is expected in Ghana where outturn is now forecast at 225,000 tons, 8 percent below the October forecast but 5 percent above last season's crop. Unfavorable weather in June and July is now expected to reduce output more than earlier anticipated. In Cote d'Ivoire (the Ivory Coast), the world's largest producing country, the forecast is unchanged from October but down 9 percent from last year's record crop.

South America's 1986/87 cocoa crop is forecast to increase 5 percent from the 1985/86 level. Brazil's production for the current season is forecast at 415,000 tons, up 4 percent from the October estimate and 11 percent more than last season. Production this large would match the record outturn of 1984/85. The main crop is now forecast at about 208,000 tons, 10 percent more than last year and a new record high. Ecuador's cocoa bean crop for 1986/87, forecast at 100,000 tons, is unchanged from October but down 11 percent from the previous season's revised outturn of 112,000 tons.

Cocoa bean production for major countries and regions during the October-September crop year is estimated as follows in 1,000 tons:

Country/Region 1985/86		1986/87		
		October	February	
Africa:				
Cote d'Ivoire 1/	580.0	525.0	525.0	
Ghana	215.0	240.0	225.0	
Nigeria 2/	135.0	125.0	125.0	
Cameroon	118.0	120.0	120.0	
Other	50.6	54.6	49.6	
Total	1,098.6	1,064.6	1,044.6	
South America:				
Brazi1	375.0	400.0	415.0	
Ecuador	112.0	100.0	100.0	
Colombia	44.0	45.0	45.0	
Other	23.7	24.1	24.1	
Total	554.7	569.1	584.1	
Central American/Caribbean:	The Property		Wildred Tolking	
Mexico	41.0	42.5	42.5	
Dominican Republic	37.0	40.0	40.0	
Other	20.5	23.4	21.5	
Total	98.5	105.9	104.0	
Asia/Oceania:				
Indonesia	35.5	38.0	38.0	
Malaysia	130.0	150.0	150.0	
Papua-New Guinea	30.9	30.0	30.0	
Other	16.9	15.9	17.9	
Total	213.3	233.9	235.9	
World total	1,965.1	1,973.5	1,968.6	

^{1/} Includes marketing from Ghana. 2/ Includes cocoa marketed through Benin.

CREDIT NOTES

GSM-102 Activities Announced for HAITI and the YEMEN ARAB REPUBLIC. USDA announced operational details on \$11 million on fiscal year 1987 credit guarantees to Haiti. The guarantees provide \$6.5 million for sales of wheat, \$1 million for sales of protein meals, \$1.5 million for sales of tallow and/or greases, \$1.8 million for sales of lumber and \$200,000 for sales of planting seeds. For the Yemen Arab Republic, USDA reallocated \$8 million from the rice and feed grain lines to wheat.

GSM-103 Activities Announced for MOROCCO, URUGUAY and HONDURAS. USDA increased Morocco's GSM-103 credit line from \$5 million to \$30 million. USDA amended the line to Uruguay to include U.S. embryos and semen as well as breeding livestock. USDA provided an additional \$7 million in credit guarantees to Honduras.

EXPORT ENHANCEMENT INITIATIVES

The status of USDA's Export Enhancement Program as of Feb. 12, 1987, was as follows in metric tons:

ANNOUNCED INITIATIVES		DATE ANNOUNCED		QUANTITY/RESULTS	
63.	Canary Islands poultry	Feb.	9, '87	5,000	
	Nigeria wheat		28, '87	500,000	
	China wheat		26, '87	1,000,000	Sold 150,000
60.	Iraq wheat		16, '87	800,000	
	Switzerland barley or sorghum		16, '87	250,000	Sold 9,000
58.	Poland wheat	Jan.	7, '87	500,000	COMPLETE
57.	Poland barley or sorghum		31, '86	200,000	Sold 62,000
	Romania wheat		23, '86	250,000	
55.	Iraq poultry		22, '86	60,000	
	Dominican Republic		9, '86	25 million	Sold 6.7
	table eggs				million
	Zanzibar wheat flour	Dec.	9, '86	20,000	
52.	Tunisia barley		1, '86	150,000	
	Gulf countries (Bahrain		30, '86	1,500 head	Sold 275
	Kuwait, Oman, Qatar,			4.000	
	United Arab Emirates) dairy cattle				
	West Africa (Cameroon	Oct.	30, '86	345,000	Sold 14,500
	Cote d'Ivoire, Ghana, Togo) wheat				
	Dominican Republic	Oct	29, '86	1,500	Sold 1,133
	poultry	000.	27, 00	1,500	3014 1,133
48.	Philippines barley malt	Oct.	20, '86	60,000	Sold 25,000
		Oct.	14, '86	20,000	1000
46.	Romania barley		. 24, '86	200,000	Sold 125,000
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45.	Venezuela barley malt	Sant / 196	100 000	
44.	Cyprus barley mait	Sept. 4, '86	100,000	0-11 75 000
43.	Canary Islands wheat	Aug. 26, '86 Aug. 8, '86	150,000	Sold 75,000
42.	Egypt semolina		100,000	0-14 15 000
41.	Soviet Union wheat		30,000	Sold 15,000
40.	Canary Is. dairy cattle	Aug. 1, '86 July 28, '86	4,000,000 3,000 head	EXPIRED
39.	Hong Kong table eggs	July 28, '86	44 million	Sold 22.0
-	nong Kong table eggs	July 20, 00	eggs	million
38.	Senegal wheat	July 17, '86	100,000	COMPLETE
37.	India vegetable oil	July 8, '86	25,000	COMPLETE
36.	Jordan barley	June 17, '86	60,000	COPILETE
35.	Israel barley	June 17, '86	200,000	Sold 36,200
34.	Tunisia dairy cattle	May 29, '86	4,000 head	COMPLETE
33.	Algeria dairy cattle	May 29, '86	5,000 head	OOTH DELTE
32.	Sri Lanka wheat	May 16, '86	125,000	Sold 110,000
31.	Saudi Arabia barley	May 7, '86	500,000	COMPLETE
		Aug. 6, '86	250,000	COMPLETE
		Sept. 16, '86	300,000	COMPLETE
		Oct. 8, '86	200,000	COMPLETE
			200,000	(201,000)
		Jan. 5, '87	1,250,000	COMPLETE
30.	Algeria barley	Apr. 17, '86	500,000	
29.	Morocco dairy cattle	Apr. 16, '86	4,000 head	Sold 3,987
28.	Turkey dairy cattle	Apr. 16, '86	5,000 head	COMPLETE
27.	Egypt dairy cattle	Apr. 16, '86	6,000 head	COMPLETE
	0,1	Sept. 12, '86	10,000 head	
26.	Yemen poultry feed	Apr. 14, '86	150,000	
25.	Yugoslavia wheat	Apr. 10, '86	200,000	COMPLETE
		June 24, '86	200,000	COMPLETE
		Oct. 7, '86	500,000	Sold 79,950
24.	Indonesia dairy cattle	Apr. 9, '86	7,500 head	COMPLETE
23.	Syria wheat	Apr. 8, '86	700,000	CANCELLED
22.	Benin wheat	Apr. 7, '86	45,000	Sold 30,000
21.	Algeria table eggs	Apr. 4, '86	500 million	eggs
20.	Iraq dairy cattle	Apr. 4, '86	6,500 head	Sold 200
19.	Jordan wheat	Mar. 19, '86	75,000	COMPLETE
		June 20, '86	75,000	COMPLETE
		Dec. 31, '86	225,000	
18.	Tunisia wheat	Mar. 18, '86	300,000	COMPLETE
		Aug. 22, '86	800,000	Sold 250,000
17.	Algeria wheat flour	Feb. 25, '86	100,000	
16.	Algeria semolina	Feb. 11, '86	250,000	Sold 30,000
15.	Philippines wheat	Jan. 7, '86	150,000	COMPLETE (152,400)
14.	Zaire wheat	Dec. 27, '85	40,000	COMPLETE
		May 15, '86	40,000	COMPLETE
		Oct. 17, '86	40,000	Sold 25,000
13.	Nigeria barley malt	Dec. 10, '85	100,000	Sold 19,300
12.	Iraq wheat flour	Dec. 9, '85	150,000	Sold 125,000
		Jan. 7, '87	175,000	

EXPORT ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM INITIATIVES (CONT)

11.	Egypt poultry	Nov. 26, '85	8,000	COMPLETE
		Mar. 21, '86	15,000	COMPLETE
		June 18, '86	5,000	COMPLETE
		July 8, '86	15,000	COMPLETE
		Dec. 19, '86	25,000	Sold 12,500
10.	Zaire wheat flour	Nov. 18, '85	64,000	COMPLETE
		May 15, '86	30,000	Sold 15,000
9.	Philippines wheat flour	Nov. 15, '85	100,000	Sold 50,000
8.	Jordan rice	Nov. 8, '85	40,000	Sold 38,700
		Jan. 13, '87	60,000	5020 00,.00
7.	Turkey wheat	Oct. 16, '85	500,000	COMPLETE
1111		200 20,		(506,600)
		May 8, '86	500,000	Sold 248,000
6.	Morocco wheat	Sept. 30, '85	1,500,000	Sold 1,460,000
		Dec. 9, '86	790,000	2,,
5.	Yemen wheat	Sept. 6, '85	100,000	COMPLETE
		Jan. 26, '87	100,000	Sold 25,000
4.	Yemen wheat flour	Aug. 20, '85	50,000	COMPLETE
		Apr. 14, '86	100,000	Sold 63,000 LT
3.	Egypt wheat	July 26, '85	500,000	COMPLETE
	28) Pt Wilcot	Oct. 30, '85	500,000	COMPLETE
		0000	300,000	(512,500)
		June 24, '86	500,000	COMPLETE
		July 29, '86	52,000	Sold 29,000
		Oct. 8, '86	1,000,000	Sold 406,000
2.	Egypt wheat flour	July 2, '85	600,000	COMPLETE
	8,1	Aug. 6, '86	600,000	
1.	Algeria wheat (ex durum)		1,000,000	COMPLETE
	wheat (ex durum)		1,000,000	Sold 354,000
	durum	Nov. 10, '86	300,000	Sold 240,000

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EXPORT ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM SUMMARY Status as of Feb. 12, 1987

Announced to Date

22,693,730 grains and products (grain equivalent)

569 million table eggs

134,500 tons frozen poultry

52,500 head dairy cattle 25,000 tons vegetable oil

Sold to Date

8,222,959 wheat

1,326,872 flour (grain equivalent)

2,737,200 barley

61,650 semolina (grain equivalent)

59,065 barley malt (grain equivalent)

71,000 sorghum

38,700 rice

25,000 vegetable oil

56,633 frozen poultry

23,817 head dairy cattle

28,734,000 table eggs

Total Sales Value:

\$1,214.6 million

TARGETED EXPORT PROMOTION PROGRAM

No announcements were made under USDA's Targeted Export Promotion Program this week.

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Selected International Prices

		ry 17, 1987	: Change from	: A year
			: a week ago	: ago
ROTTERDAM PRICES 1/	\$ per MT	\$ per bu.	\$ per MT	\$ per MT
Wheat:				
Canadian No. 1 CWRS-13.5%.1		4.20	-0-	N.Q.
U.S. No. 2 DNS/NS: 14%	140.00	3.81	-3.00	174.00
U.S. No. 2 S.R.W	136.50	3.71	-3.50	153.50
No. 3 H.A.D10/	156.00	4.25	-1.00	161.00
Canadian No. 1 A: Durum.10/	165.00	4.49	-0.10	N.Q.
Feed grains:				
U.S. No. 3 Yellow Corn	78.00	1.98	-3.00	116.50
Soybeans and meal:				
U.S. No. 2 Yellow	196.00	5.33	-2.75	216.40
Brazil 47/48% Soya Pellets	185.00		-3.00	196.00
U.S. 44% Soybean Meal	183.00		-2.00	187.00
U.S. FARM PRICES 3/				
Wheat	92.22	2.51	-1.10	112.42
Barley	N.Q.			N.Q.
Corn	52.36	1.33	-3.15	89.76
Sorghum	50.93	2.31 2/	-1.32	78.26
Broilers	N.Q.			-
EC IMPORT LEVIES				
Wheat 5/	224.95	6.12	+2.95	145.25
Barley	216.55	4.71	+2.20	135.50
Corn	210.60	5.35	+5.90	124.45
Sorghum	209.00	5.31	+3.40	123.35
Broilers 4/ 6/ 8/	496.00		+2.00	303.00
EC INTERVENTION PRICES 7/9/				
Common wheat(feed quality)	216.40	5.89	+0.90	181.90
Bread wheat (min. quality)	226.60	6.17	+0.90	193.45
Maize	226.60	5.76	+0.90	181.90
Barley and all other feed				
grains, excluding maize.	216.40		+0.90	181.90
Broilers 4/ 6/			-15.00	1,320.00
EC EXPORT RESTITUTIONS (subsid				_,
Wheat	149.65	4.07		N.A.
Barley	158.75	3.46		N.A.
Broilers 4/ 6/ 8/	398.00		+1.00	221.00
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1/ Asking prices in U.S. dollars for imported grain and soybeans, c.i.f., Rotterdam. 2/ Hundredweight (CWT). 3/ Five-day moving average. 4/ EC category--70 percent whole chicken. 5/ Reflects lower EC export subsidy--down to 20.00 ECU/100 bag effective 9/14/83 from 22.50 ECU/100 bag set in 2/83. 6/ F.o.b. price for R.T.C. broilers at West German border. 7/ Reference price. 8/ Reflects change in level set by EC. 9/ Changes may be due partly to exchange rate fluctuations and/or ECU payments. 10/ April/May shipment. N.A.=None authorized. N.Q.=Not quoted. Note: Basis March delivery.